

Application No. 09/289,000  
Amendment dated June 7, 2004  
Reply to Office Action of March 9, 2004

PATENT


**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Claims 1-6 and 24-26 have been allowed and are the only pending claims.

In view thereof, this application is in condition for allowance and a corresponding notification at an early date is requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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